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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1-2 (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) A method for assembling a blood treatment circuit by aseptically connecting a connected bag set, which has previously been sterilized, and a filter unit, which has previously been sterilized, to each other, said connected bag set being composed of a primary bag holding collected blood and a plurality of secondary bags holding blood or blood components and a first tube to connect said primary bag to said secondary bags and a third tube to connect said secondary bags to one another, said filter unit having an inlet and an outlet, a filter medium to remove specific components from a fluid introduced through said inlet, and a second tube, both ends of which are connected to said inlet and said outlet, and to which a bag is not connected, wherein said method comprises:

cutting either said first tube or said third tube so that either said first tube or said third tube comprises first and second cut ends;

cutting said second tube so that the second tube comprises first and second cut ends;

~~cutting said third tube so that the third tube comprises first and second cut ends;~~